

Jim Charlton Comment

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I would like to express my support for a seasonal road closure in the Whiskey Dick area. I believe the only way to insure good winter range for wildlife in this area is to close **all roads** to motor vehicles during the critical winter months.

This method of securing winter range for wildlife has been used in other western states with good success. The efforts to improve elk herd structure have had the desired results, but with wintering areas open, additional pressure from poaching, tribal harvest, and simple disturbance have diminished the effectiveness of regulating mature bull harvest.

Thank you for providing this avenue for comments.

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